Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 11 Jul 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 12 Jul 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 11 Jul 2023 at 02:16 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled showery and relatively mild. Lowering for detail for the worst of conditions.

Headline for Tuesday 11 Jul 2023: Showers building bringing chance of thunderstorms from late morning. Light summit winds settling to a moderate northwesterly.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 11 Jul 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Heavy Rain	Thunderstorm	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Drizzle
Precipitation probability					
30%	40%	60%	60%	70%	40%

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Weather: Mainly cloudy overnight with showers or longer periods of rain, with outbreaks heavier during the early hours and focused south of Knoydart and Ben Wyvis. Limited brighter spells mixed with showers through Tuesday with outbreaks well scattered early morning, building to frequent showers or longer periods of rain from late morning, with hail and thunder most likely towards the Great Glen, where they will be quite slow moving. Showers easing from the north late evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80-90% early morning, becoming 60-70% from late morning

Low cloud and visibility: Good or very good becoming moderate or poor in showers, very poor within cloud with bases lowering 600m at times, chiefly as showers push through.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/10 NW	11/13 NW	13/17 NW	15/20 NW	14/18 NW	12/15 NW	12/15 W
900	8/9 NW	10/13 NW	13/17 NW	15/20 NW	13/17 NW	11/15 NW	11/14 W
600	5/7 N	8/10 NW	10/14 NW	12/17 NW	10/14 NW	8/11 W	8/11 W
300	3/8 NW	5/12 NW	7/16 NW	8/18 NW	6/15 NW	5/12 NW	3/11 W
Glen	1/3 W	5/7 W	6/10 NW	8/15 NW	6/11 NW	5/9 W	4/7 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	7/5	8/5	8/5	8/4	7/4	7/4	7/4
900	8/6	8/6	9/6	9/5	8/5	8/5	7/4
600	10/9	11/9	11/9	11/8	10/8	10/8	9/8
300	12/12	14/13	15/14	14/13	12/12	12/11	11/11
Glen	14/15	15/15	16/16	16/15	15/14	14/13	13/13
Freezing Level*	2300m	2200m	2200m	2300m	2200m	2200m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Risk sunburn in exposure.

Forecast for Wednesday 12 Jul 2023
Weather: Another day of scattered showers which build into the afternoon, bringing the risk hail and thunder, particularly nearer the Great Glen. Rather cloudy with limited brighter spells

Maximum wind: West or northwest 10-15 mph, but gusty in and around heavier showers.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% becoming 75% during the afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Good or very good becoming moderate or poor in showers, very poor within cloud with bases lowering 600m at times, chiefly as showers push through.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 Celsius increasing 18 Celsius during the afternoon
At 800m: Plus 7 Celsius
Freezing level: Above all summits

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